

Please add the following new claims:

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--15. (New) A method for transmitting messages between at least one main station and a terminal via a telecommunications network, comprising:

providing a matching device between the at least one main station and the terminal; and

controlling a message exchange using the matching device, the message exchange being controlled in dependence upon at least one input from one of: i) the terminal, and ii) the at least one main station.

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16. (New) The method according to claim 15, further comprising:

matching, by a matching device, at least one characteristic for transmission of a message to the at least one input.

17. (New) The method according to claim 16, wherein the at least one characteristic is at least one of a data type, a data format and a transmission mode.

18. (New) The method according to claim 15, further comprising:

converting, by the matching device, messages from the at least one main station into a standardized form readable by the terminal; and
transmitting the converted messages to the terminal.

19. (New) The method according to claim 15, further comprising:

notifying the matching device of an incoming message for the terminal, by the at least one main station;

if the terminal can be reached, initiating a transmission process for the message to the terminal, according to one of a push transmission mode and a pull transmission mode; and

if the terminal can not be reached, storing the message until the matching device recognizes that the terminal can be reached.

20. (New) The method according to claim 15, further comprising:

transmitting directly to the terminal, as a function of the input from the terminal, a message for the terminal present in the at least one main station by the matching device when the terminal can be reached; and

notifying the terminal of the availability of the message by the matching device, when the terminal can not be reached.

21. (New) The method according to claim 15, further comprising:

transmitting a plurality of messages, from different ones of the at least one main station, in a combined form to the terminal by the matching device.

22. (New) The method according to claim 15, further comprising:

segmenting, by the matching device as a function of input from the terminal, individual parts of a message which includes a plurality of elements; and processing the message by the matching device.

23. (New) The method according to claim 15, further comprising:

inputting by a user of the terminal the at least one input from the terminal in the form of a data record; and transmitting the data record to the matching device.

24. (New) The method according to claim 15, further comprising:

inputting by a user of the terminal a plurality of different data records for various functionalities that are implementable using the terminal; and storing the plurality of different data records in a storage device assigned to the matching device.

25. (New) The method according to claim 24, wherein each of the plurality of different data records has an assigned identifying character.

26. (New) The method according to claim 25, further comprising:

selecting, by the user, one of the plurality of different data records; transmitting the assigned identifying character of the selected data record from the terminal to the matching device; checking, in the matching device, whether a data record having the assigned identifying character is stored in the storage device; and if the data record having the assigned identifying character is stored in the storage device, selecting, by the matching device, the data record.